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CC: Goodrow, Sandra [Sandra.Goodrow@dep.nj.gov]
Subject: Re: A positive update on our Science submission
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John,
Done...see attached changes on pages 1 and 10.

So sorry I didn't catch that sooner. No worries about "discovery".

thanks so much!

Erica

From: Washington, John <Washington.John@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2020 5:08 PM
To: Bergman, Erica <Erica.Bergman@dep.nj.gov>
Cc: Goodrow, Sandra <Sandra.Goodrow@dep.nj.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: A positive update on our Science submission

Hi Erica,

I have been working all day to make changes and resubmit and I did so minutes before I received your email request on affiliation/funding. I think we can adjust affiliations/funding during proofing stage. Please send me the exact affiliation/funding changes you want in track-changes mode.

The Science editor specifically told me he did not like "discovery" in the title. I didn't want to argue this point with him.

At this point, let's just try to correct your affiliation/funding when the opportunity arises.

Thanks,
John

From: Bergman, Erica <Erica.Bergman@dep.nj.gov>
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To: Washington, John <Washington.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Goodrow, Sandra <Sandra.Goodrow@dep.nj.gov>
Subject: Re: A positive update on our Science submission

John, Thanks for the update, it's exciting to know that approval is possible! I personally am not adverse to the suggested name change, it is a very straightforward title, but I would have liked it better if the word "discovery" was used instead of "detection"; putting the emphasis on the chemical detected rather than the method of detection, if that makes any sense.

Thanks for keeping us posted.

Erica

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] A positive update on our Science submission

Dear coauthors and everyone else invested,

I just checked the Science authors' portal, saw a change in manuscript status, re-signed into EPA email and found the email below in my Junk folder, a problem which I have tried numerous times to fix.

You can read for yourself that the manuscript seems to be more securely near full acceptance, a much darker shade of gray, almost fully black and white. The editor even was kind enough to redraw our Figure 1 for us to his satisfaction!

I plan to address the remaining minor comments starting tomorrow.

I think this protracted review, with long silences, has been a challenge for some of us . . . I know it has been for me. Perhaps some of the delay is related to AAAS work on the COVID-19 effort, see image below of an email I received about two hours before the editor's email to me. At any rate, thank you all for your contributions, support and patience, and I will keep you posted.

Sincerely,
John



From: Jake S. Yeston <science_editors@aaas.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 14, 2020 4:38 PM
To: Washington, John
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Subject: Finalizing your Science Manuscript (aba7127)

14-Apr-2020

Dear John,

Sincere apologies for the delay. The first reviewer has returned the comments below and we are prepared to accept the paper with a few further minor revisions. In addition to the reviewer's comments, we need a link that readers can use to access the data repository. Ideally this should be a DOI that can be cited in the reference list, but if the EPA repository does not make DOI's available, a stable url in the acknowledgments would suffice. I would also encourage you to consider this new title: Nontargeted mass-spectral detection of chloroperfluoropolyether carboxylates in New Jersey soils. I think it's somewhat important to spell out the actual name of the compound class you detected, despite then losing the mention of fingerprinting.

I redrew the compound in Figure 1 so it looked a little cleaner--if you're satisfied with that, there's no need to change it, as I've uploaded it to your record.

In the supplement (where the title should change too), Table S5 should use a

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You can upload new files via the website.

thanks,

Jake

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